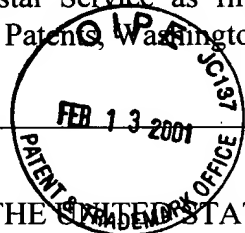


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Applicants : Jan Burian and Daniel Bartfeld  
Application No. : 09/444,281  
Filed : November 19, 1999  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 20, 2000, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-18 and 20, directed to a polynucleotide encoding a cationic peptide and a method of expressing the protein, including related vectors and host cells, for examination at this time.

In view of the above election, Applicants hereby cancel claims 19 and 21-28 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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